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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

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Subject: Meeting with Mr. E. A. Tamm, Federal Bureau of Investigation

References:
a. Letter for the Director, FBI, from the Director of Central Intelligence, subject: Withdrawal of FBI Representatives, dated 16 September 1946.
b. Memo CIG 12/3 by the Director of Central Intelligence, undated, with inclosed draft of CIG directive.
c. Letter for the Director of Central Intelligence from the Director, FBI, subject: FBI Equipment [redacted]

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1. Late yesterday afternoon, September 18, I had a talk with Mr. E. A. Tamm, Assistant to the Director, FBI. During the conversation, the following topics were discussed and agreements made as reported below.

a. I gratefully accepted the offer of the Director of FBI to conduct security investigations of prospective CIG employees on a basis of reimbursement at $100 per case. I explained to Mr. Tamm that an official acceptance of this arrangement would be forthcoming, and that in this letter a request would be made for a working liaison so that the details could be arranged. Mr. Tamm replied that that was entirely satisfactory, that he thought it was a reasonable arrangement which would be to the common advantage of both agencies. He stated further that as soon as he received the official request he would designate appropriate individuals in the Bureau to complete arrangements.

b. I handed to Mr. Tamm General Vandenberg's letter to the Director, FBI, on the subject of the imminent withdrawal of FBI personnel from [redacted]. Mr. Tamm stated that he understood perfectly the position of CIG in relation to the Department of State and admitted that obviously the next move was FBI's. Mr. Tamm indicated that he would discuss the entire matter with Mr. Hoover, who was at the time out of town, and that until he had had such a discussion he was not prepared to state what Mr. Hoover's action would be. Mr. Tamm thought that Mr. Hoover might elect to discuss only with consent

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the contemplated withdrawal with Mr. Braden, but he did not feel certain of such action.

g. I handed to Mr. Tamm a memorandum by the Director, Central Intelligence, CIG 12/3, with inclosure, draft, CIG directive, and explained to Mr. Tamm that this was the directive which Mr. Hoover had examined sometime before and contained parts of which Mr. Hoover disapproved. I explained the changes made and expressed the opinion that the additions were in line with Mr. Hoover's opinions. Mr. Tamm stated that he would discuss the document with Mr. Hoover as soon as he was available and would inform us as to Mr. Hoover's agreement or disagreement.

f. I discussed with Mr. Tamm the procedure to be followed in handling property in the event that FBI withdrew their representatives in Latin American countries prior to the arrival of CIG personnel. I stated that a policy had been approved by the State Department as follows: The senior FBI representative would call upon the Chief of the State Department Mission, who would designate a temporary custodian for the property. This custodian would sign a receipt to FBI. Upon arrival of CIG representatives, the serviceable property would be accepted by them and receipted for. Mr. Tamm agreed that this was entirely satisfactory and that he would so inform the individuals concerned.

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